

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Li YAO *et al.*

Application No.: 09/866,842

Group Art Unit: 1651

Filed: May 30, 2001

Examiner: D. M. NAFF

For: FUNCTIONALIZED POROUS MATERIALS AND APPLICATIONS IN MEDICAL DEVICES Attorney Docket No.: 9580-012-999

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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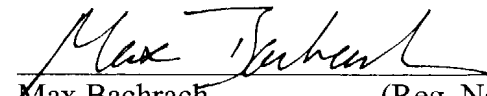
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for responding to the final Office Action dated October 21, 2003 be extended for a period of two months from January 21, 2003 to and including March 22, 2004, which is a Monday.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$ 420.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day deposit account no. 503013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 22, 2004

  
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